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SUBJECT: 31ST - SECOND COMMITTEE GENERAL DEBATE -- LDC VIEWS

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1. THE HALF-DAY SESSION OF COMMITTEE II OCTOBER 13 WAS TAKEN UP BY DEVELOPING COUNTRY SPEAKERS INCLUDING MONGOLIA, JORDAN, MALTA, GREECE, YUGOSLAVIA, ECUADOR AND EGYPT. ASIDE FROM THE MONGOLIAN, WHO ECHOED THE SOVIET LINE, MOST SPEAKERS STRESSED THE WIDENING GAP BETWEEN RICH AND POOR NATIONS, WITH VARYING DEGREES OF BALANCE.

2. AS EXPECTED, EGYPTIAN AND YUGOSLAVIAN DELEGATES FOCUSED ON FAMILIAR THEMES: THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER; THE COLOMBO DEMANDS EMANATING FROM THE NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE; AND THEIR DISAPPOINTMENT AT ALLEGEDLY MEAGER RESULTS FROM UNCTAD IV. YUGOSLAVIA IN PARTICULAR EMPHASIZED URGENCY OF THE PARIS CONFERENCE (CIEC) PRODUCING SOME SUBSTANTIAL RESULTS. EGYPT REVIEWED RESULTS OF RECENT WORLD CONFERENCES, INCLUDING HABITAT, AND -- IN THE PROCESS -- ATTACKED ISRAEL AND "RESERVED THE RIGHT" TO ENTER CLAIMS FOR ECONOMIC LOSSES IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES.

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3. THE EGYPTIAN DELEGAT EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO BEGIN

PREPARING A THIRD DEVELOPMENT DECADE. YUGOSLAVIA TOOK A  
SIMILAR POSITION BUT EMPHASIZED THAT NEXT BIENNIAL REVIEW  
AND APPRAISAL (1977) MUST TAKE A HARD LOOK AT SHORTCOMINGS  
(READ BY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES) UNDER THE PRESENT STRATEGY.  
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